



# United States Department of the Interior

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IN REPLY REFER TO:

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July 11, 1974

Col. James S. Miller  
District Engineer  
U. S. Army Engineer District  
Chicago  
219 South Dearborn Street  
Chicago, Illinois 60604

Dear Col. Miller:

This refers to Public Notice NCCOD-P 4477305, dated June 24, 1974, and the Department of the Interior's letter of May 10, 1974, regarding an application by United States Steel Corporation for revision of a permit to conduct maintenance dredging in Lake Michigan at Gary, Indiana.

These comments have been prepared in accordance with provisions of the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act (48 Stat. 401, as amended; 16 U.S.C. et seq.) and are consistent with the intent of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969.

The use of a clamshell instead of a hydraulic dredge for maintenance dredging of Indiana Harbor and slip will cause no new problems for fish and wildlife. The Department of the Interior has no objections to the issuance of a permit provided the stipulations requested in the May 10, 1974, letter are included in the permit.

Sincerely,

Charles A. Hughlett  
Acting Regional Director

bc: ✓ Regional Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, Chicago  
Director, Indiana Department of Natural Resources, Indianapolis  
Mr. Carr, National Marine Fisheries Service, Ann Arbor